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Pennsylvania Egg Production Up 5 Percent in May

HARRISBURG, PA – June 22, 2011 - - Egg production in Pennsylvania during May 2011 totaled 621 million eggs, up 5 percent from the 590 million eggs produced in May 2010, according to the Pennsylvania Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The total number of layers averaged 25.1 million during May, a 6 percent increase from last year. Production per 100 layers was 2,476 eggs during the month, a decrease of 18 eggs overall from May 2010. Broiler-type chicks hatched in Pennsylvania totaled 14.4 million during May 2011, a 5 percent increase from the number hatched in the same month a year earlier.

U.S. egg production totaled 7.78 billion during May 2011, up 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.67 billion table eggs, and 1.11 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.04 billion were broiler-type and 72 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during May 2011 averaged 338 million, down slightly from last year. May egg production per 100 layers was 2,302 eggs, up one percent from May 2010.

Egg-type chicks hatched during May 2011 totaled 43.3 million, up slightly from May 2010. Broiler-type chicks hatched during May 2011 totaled 807 million, up 1 percent from May 2010. There were 23.7 million net poults placed during May 2011 in the United States, down 2 percent from the number placed during the same month a year earlier.

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